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AN INTERESTING OLD LETTER

REPRODUCED IN CROSBYTON REVIEW

The Review has in possession a very interesting letter written by Judge W. C. Dockum, who was the second County Judge of Crosby county, dated at Estacado, October 10, 1889—thirty three years ago—reporting to the Hartford Insurance Company a fire that came very near destroying the court house. Following is a copy of the letter that may prove interesting to our readers:

"Gentlemen:—I notify you by this my sworn statement of the damage done a certain two-story frame metal roof building occupied as a court house, situated on lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, block 65, in the town of

Estacado, Crosby county, Texas, by fire during the morning of October 10th, about 2 o'clock a. m. The cause of the fire was about as follows, supposed to have begun under the floor of the Treasurer's office on west side of building at "X" as shown by sketch hereto attached and marked "Exhibit A," and thence north into County Judge's office under floor, thence east across hall into Clerk's office and then up the east wall of the Clerk's office and up the wall of the main court room on second floor to nearly the roof. The floor and sleepers or sills supporting the floor in the Treasurer's office is wholly a loss, being so much damaged that it will have to be entirely restored. The ceiling and east wall of the Treasurer's office and the wall between the Judge's office and the Treasurer's office are greatly damaged and will require considerable repairs. The fire went up the wall between the Judge's office and Treasurer's office to the floor of the second story and then went east on second story floor to about opposite Clerk's office, damaging the same to that extent that it will be required to be repaired. About half of the floor of the County Judge's office will be required to be restored as well as that of the ceiling of the same and the door of the same office will have to be renewed. Some of the sleepers in the Judge's office, I believe from appearances will have to be replaced with new ones. The course of the fire across hall so damaged the floor of same and two sleepers under same that the latter will have to be restored and the former repaired. The west wall of the Clerk's office is so damaged that it will have to be greatly repaired. The floor of the Clerk's office was so damaged that it will have to be considerably repaired and two sleepers under same renewed. The Treasurer's, Judge's and Clerk's offices will require a new coat of paint. The paint on the north end of building was considerably blackened by smoke and should be repainted. The east wall of second story where fire went up same will require to be repaired.

"The value of the building before the fire was \$6,000, and the same is the property of Crosby county, and the damage done said property by the fire above described is to the best of my knowledge after carefully examining same is a loss to the amount of \$950.00. Said building was used by the county as a court house. Room No. 1 as per attached sketch is used by the County and District Clerk for an office and Room No. 2 as a vault for the county records and Room No. 3 by Sheriff for an office and Room No. 4 by Assessor and Surveyor for an office, and Room 5 by Treasurer and County Attorney for an office and Room No. 8 by County Judge for an office. The second floor was used as a court room in which the different courts were held, except two rooms in south end of building on second floor which were used for witnesses and jury rooms.

"The fire is supposed to have originated about 2 o'clock a. m. on the morning of October 10th, 1889. The cause of the fire is not known, there having not been any fire in the building for two weeks or more before the fire."

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TO THE VOTERS OF LUBBOCK COUNTY:

I know that I will not have the opportunity of meeting and soliciting the support of all voters and while nothing would please me more, at the same time I am asking you in this way to consider my claims at the Democratic Primaries, July 22, 1922.

I have been a resident of this county for the past thirty-five years and have seen its fertile acres transform from wide cattle ranges to the most productive farms in the great Southwest.

And I am proud to state that I have contributed both time and money to the upbuilding of every enterprise that would help this part of the country come into its own.

My record as your servant in the office of tax assessor is an open book. I have tried to fulfill every obligation to your satisfaction and if elected will continue to give service that will satisfy.

The lady voters are also cordially solicited to vote for me and your influence is respectfully requested.

I would need twelve thousand words to thanks you for your vote.

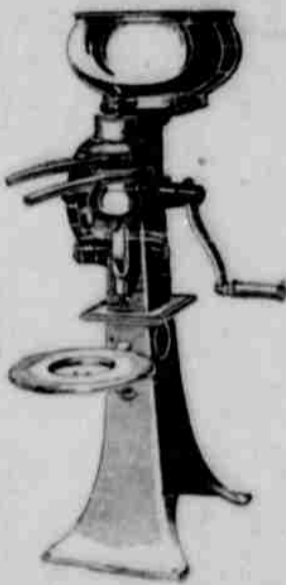
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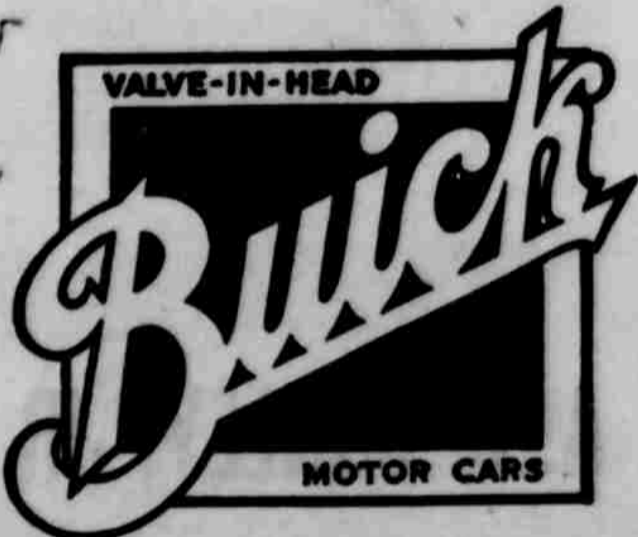
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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

The State of Texas,
County of Lubbock.
Common School District No. 20.
To the resident property taxpaying voters of Common School District No. 20:

Take notice that an election will be held on the 29th day of July, 1922, within said district, in obedience to an order of the county judge of this county made on the 27th day of June, 1922, which is as follows:

On this 27th day of June, 1922, there came on to be considered the petition of A. Z. McDougal and twenty-one other persons asking that an election be ordered upon the question of issuing bonds of said school district for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building of brick, or brick and tile material within and for said district; and,

It appearing to the satisfaction of the county judge of said county that said petition is signed by at least twenty qualified property taxpaying voters of said district, and is otherwise in conformity with law, the said judge is of the opinion that said petition should be granted, and said election as prayed for should be ordered;

Now, therefore, I, P. F. Brown, in my capacity as County Judge of Lubbock County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 29th day of July, 1922, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, at the school building in said Common School District No. 20, of this county, as established by Act of the 35th Legislature of the State of Texas, 4th Called Session, H. B. No. 175, Chapter 27, Section 3, at which election, the following proposition shall be submitted to the resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said school district for their action thereupon:

Shall the Commissioners' Court of said County be authorized to issue bonds on the faith and credit of said Common School District to the amount of \$10,000.00, to become due and payable serially, \$500.00 three years from their date and \$500.00 each year thereafter up to and including the year 1940, and \$1,000.00 each year thereafter during the years 1941 and 1942, both inclusive, and bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed 6 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building of brick or brick and tile material in said district, and if there shall be annually levied and collected on all taxable property in said school district for the current year and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to pay the principal as it becomes due.

R. D. Pate is hereby appointed presiding officer for said election,

and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and he shall, within five days after said election has been held, make due return thereof to the Commissioners' Court of this county, as is required by law for holding a general election.

None but resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said Common School District shall be allowed to vote at said election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"For the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof."

"Against the issuance of the bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof."

Each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote.

C. A. HOLCOMB, Sheriff,
Lubbock County, Tex.

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